

[54] **FOLDED INTRAOCULAR LENS WITH
ENDLESS BAND RETAINER**

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ABSTRACT

A resilient intraocular lens, folded on itself to reduce its transverse dimension for implanting, is releasably held in the folded configuration by a retainer in the form of a pliable, severable band which extends circumferentially around the lens. Preferably the retainer is securable by a pull strip along a line of weakness, to permit the lens to unfold. The pull strip remains attached to the retainer for removing it from the eye after the lens has been released.

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